

## "Die Walkure," With New Singers, At the Metropolitan Opera-House

Feinhals, Schmedes and Hinckley, in First Appearances—Hertz and the Orchestra in Fine Form.

BY SYLVESTER RAWLING

"DIE WALKÜRE" was sung at the Metropolitan Opera-House last night to a house full of lovers of Wagner's operas. Following immediately after the opening performance of Verdi's "Aida" on Monday night, it was taken as an augury of the catholic taste of the new managers. There was no new setting to distract attention. The opera stood on its merits, with several new singers to interpret favorite parts in the principal women's parts and a conductor in charge whose worth was established long ago.

It is a curious thing about "Die Walküre" that, more than any opera, the difference in the quality of any two performances of it depends upon atmosphere. Given the same cast and, apparently, the same conditions, one will hear the opera to the last bar with the orchestra was a delight. Fritz Feinhals disclosed a baritone voice of power and quality, an effective stage presence, no little ability as an actor and a good deal of poetic imagination in his portrayal of the character of that lovable old man, Wotan, the chief of the gods. It will be no easy thing for him to wipe out the memory of Van Rooy, who, for many of us, is the ideal Wotan, but Feinhals made a very substantial first impression and is likely to grow upon us.

It is not so easy to define the quality of Erik Schmedes, the new Siegmund. Like Feinhals, he has temperament and grace and presence. There were moments last night when he seemed inspired. Yet there lingered an impression that, perhaps, his voice and his method might bear the label of "Made in Germany," which is not the best recommendation for a new singer.

Allen Hinckley, an American basso, who made a big appearance in his own country as Hunding, is likely to win favor. He has a big voice, a bit rough, perhaps, but effective. The leading women's characters were in familiar hands. Gaddis was never more dominate as Brunhilde. Her Valkyrie was intense and earnest. There were real paths in her final scene with Wotan. Fremstad was a lovely Siegmund, dramatic in her acting and exquisite in voice. Louise Homer was an effective Fricka in every way. The Valkyries were Louise Homer, Gertrude Hoffmann, Johanna, Van Nissen-Stone, Lenora Sparks, Rosina Van Dyck and Mary Randa.

### Tetrazzini and Two New Singers in "Lucia."

"LUCIA" Donizetti's famous vehicle for the display of dazzling top notes and of the most perfect of the Manhattan last night, and, of course, Mme. Tetrazzini sang the part of the unfortunate daughter of the Lammermoors. A typical Tetrazzini audience of vast proportions was present, and lavished enthusiastic applause upon the famous diva.

The particular style of singing her work last night was well-nigh flawless, and she rendered the difficult music perhaps better than any of her previous appearances last year. She sang with greater purity and integrity and indulged in much fewer variations, the so-called "baby tones" being almost entirely absent. Ringing clear and sweet, her voice easily dominated the other singers and the orchestra in the famous sextette—something she rarely did last season. In the mad scene the audience awarded her a perfectly breathless attention. No rustle or sound of any kind marred the scene and when the last falsetto note rang pure and clear and long sustained, a perfect storm of applause and "bravas" swept through the house from pit to gallery.

Tetrazzini seemed as pleased as a child, and then, as if to show how easy it was, she repeated it, cadenza, marvelous top notes and all. There was no evidence of shortness of breath and no apparent gathering of forces for the final note, all being accomplished with the ease and sang froid which is so characteristic of this artist.

Mr. Hammerstein introduced two new singers to his public last night, and of one it is pleasant to be able to record that he made a distinctly pleasing impression. This was M. Polse, who sang the part of Ashton. He is possessed of a very good baritone voice, which he knows how to use effectively. Not a big man, physically, he has good presence, is thoroughly at home on the stage and commands attention. In addition, he sang very well and is sure to make a welcome addition to the Manhattan's forces.

So much cannot be said for M. Taccani, who made his debut as Edgardo. It is true that he was very nervous, and the part does not offer any



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